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started in connection with St. Andrew's
Church, Kowloon. Intending members
should send in their names at once to the
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place on Wednesday, May 11th, at 6 p.m.,
in the Church grounds, when all recruits
should attend. We are glad this scheme
has eventuated and hope it will meet with
the success it deserves.

MISTAKEN IDENTITY.
A native was admitted into the Govern-
ment Civil Hospital this morning suffering
from a nasty wound on the buttock. It
appears that a thief was seen in the act of
taking some clothing from a bamboo on the
roof of a house at Mongkok about 4
a.m. this morning and an alarm was raised.
It happened that the neighbours occupy-
ing the houses on either side heard the
sound of the police whistle and two men,
one from each house, rushed on to the
house and one of the neighbours mistook
the other man for the thief and as he had a
chopper in his hand he inflicted the injuries
described. The robber meanwhile having
escaped. The assailant appeared before
Mr E. R. Hallifax, at the Magistracy
to-day, and the case was remanded.

OFFENSIVE TRADES.
An application was submitted to the
meeting of the Sanitary Board this after-
noon for a soap boiling license at Mong-
kok-bai.
Hon. Mr E. A. Hewett minutes—I pre-
sume the house is within the offensive
trades' area?
Hon. Mr A. W. Brown—I have every
confidence in the staff of the Sanitary
Department but we are committed by their
action to the granting of this license.
Correspondence was submitted relative
to extending the limits in which offensive
trades are carried on, distinguishing those
established before the passing of the Public
Health Ordinance, 1903. I would also
like to know if each establishment has
been licensed by the Crown.
Mr Shelton Hooper minutes—I would
like a list of all premises on which offensive
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THE CHICHEONG YUAN.

The recent election of members of the
Chicheong Yuan, full accounts of which
were published at the time in our columns,
has again drawn the attention of the world
to the constitutional movement in China.
In view of the fact that within six months
the members will take their seats and the
first session will formally begin, it may not
be uninteresting to review in a cursory
manner the constitution, powers and
privileges of that august body.

Strictly speaking, it is not accurate to
translate the term Chicheong Yuan as the
Senate, as the latter word is generally em-
ployed to designate the Upper or Second
House of Parliament, while according to
Article 1 of the constitution of the Chih-
cheng Yuan, the body is to be the basis on
which both the future Upper and Lower
Houses of China's Parliament are to be
constructed.

As has been already intimated the doors
of the Chicheong Yuan will be opened on
the 1st day of the 9th moon (just one year
later than the Provincial Assemblies), and
it is expected that either His Imperial
Majesty the Emperor himself or some Im-
perial Prince will attend the opening cere-
monies and deliver the Speech, wherein the
questions to be discussed by the Chicheong
Yuan will be embodied. According to the
constitution a regular session will last for
3 months, with the special sessions of one
month each. The presiding officers will
consist of President, and a Vice-President
both of whom have already been appointed
by the Throne. His Highness Prince Pu
Lun is the only one now remaining, as the
other, the Grand Secretary Sun Chia-nai,
died some time ago.

The composite character of the Chicheong
Yuan is abundantly shown by the fact that
nine different classes of men are to become
its members. Altogether seats will be
provided for 200, to be made up as follows:
Peers of the Imperial Blood, 16;
Ordinary Peers (Chinese and Manchus),

12;
Colonial Peers (Mongolian, Tibetan and

Manchu), 14;
Imperial Clansmen and Gioros, 6;
Representatives of the Metropolitan

Ministries, 32;
Technical Members, 10;
Highest Taxpayers, 10;
Representatives of the Provincial Assem-

blies, 100.
The Peers of the Imperial Blood are to

be appointed by the Throne from a list of
eligible candidates to be submitted by the
Court of the Imperial Clan. Ordinary

Peers are to be appointed in the same
manner. (1) The Colonial Peers, six will
represent Inner Mongolia; four, Mongolia;

Kobdo and the New Dominion, one;
Ching-hai (Kakou), one; the Mahometan

Tribes, one; and Tibet, one. The four
Imperial Clansmen and the two Gioros

are to be appointed by the Throne out of
the forty Clansmen and twenty Gioros

selected by their own bodies. The same
procedure is to be observed in the selection

of the 32 Representatives of the Metropo-

litan Ministries. Technical members
(savants) must first be recommended by

the Presidents, Vice-Presidents, Hanlin,
Censors, Viceroys, Governors, Commis-

sioners of Education and Ministers in
foreign countries. Thirty of those most

highly recommended shall be presented to
the Throne, out of which 10 will be chosen.

Among the 30 successful candidates, we
notice the names of Chang Chien (Optimus

Tungchou); Kuei Kuang-tien (ex-Com-
missioner of Students in Europe); Chang

Shao-hui; Liang Ting-feng; Yen Fuh;
besides five returned students from Japan

and two from the United States of America.

The twenty largest taxpayers of each
province will elect two of their members,

and the Throne will appoint ten of
the total number thus elected. Lastly,

a word as to the method of choosing repre-

sentatives of the Provincial Assemblies:

each Assembly will vote for twice the

number of representatives allotted to it,
the final selection again resting with the

Throne. The Province of Chihli will send,
then, 18, of whom nine will sit in the

Chicheong Yuan. Four of the provinces
will each be represented by only two men.

Coming to the powers of the Chicheong
Yuan, it has the right to discuss and decid-

on (a) the budget; (b) emergency expendi-
tures; (c) taxes and loans; (d) new laws

and statutes and their amendments (with
the exception of the future Constitution);

and (e) matters referred to the body by
Imperial decrees.

The decisions arrived at by the Chih-
cheng Yuan will be reported to the Throne

by the President and Vice-President con-
jointly with the Grand Councillors or the

Presidents of the Metropolitan Minis-

tries. In case of a disagreement be-
tween the Chicheong Yuan, and the

Executive Officers of the Government, the
questions are to be referred to the

former for reconsideration, and if it adheres
to its previous opinion, the matter is to

be reported to the Throne by the two
sides separately and they are to abide by

the decision of the Throne. The Grand
Councillors and the various Ministers enjoy

the right of attending the debates, in per-
son or by representatives though they shall

not be permitted to vote. On the other
hand, the Chicheong Yuan has the right to

propound questions on any administrative
measure to which the Ministers of the

Government are bound to reply, excepting
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MARRIAGE.

At St. Joseph's Church, Hongkong, on
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DEATH.

ABDOOLKYOM.—On 25th inst., at
10.30 p.m., at 7 and 9, Zeland Street,
ABDOOLKYOM SHAH ABDOOLKYOM, J.P.,
aged 46. Deeply regretted.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Miscellaneous.

Annual Varsity Dinner at Hongkong
Club.

Amusements.

9 p.m.—A Dollar Princess at Theatre
Royal.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, April 28.—

10.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, etc. at No. 23, Conduit Road.

FRIDAY, April 29.—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, etc. at "Derrington," 5, Peak
Road.9 p.m.—H.E. the Governor's "At Home"
at Government House.

The China Mail

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, APRIL 26, 1910.

TREES AND CLIMATE.

JAPAN is attempting to remedy in those parts of Manchuria which fall within her railway zone the terrible mistakes made by generations of Chinese in ruthlessly denuding the hillsides and valley bottoms of their trees. Thousands of seedling conifers and other hardy timber have been sent over from Japan and afforestation is proceeding apace. We wonder if the experiment will be intelligently watched by the Chinese administration and if so whether it will induce the Middle Kingdom to make a move in the same direction. The subject is of prime importance to China, whose area of natural forests is decreasing year by year, for unless something is speedily done this land will soon be entirely denuded, with consequences that can be nothing short of disastrous. We in Hongkong are now beginning to reap the fruits of the afforestation schemes which were started early in the history of our administration of the island and therefore we can fully appreciate all that a plentiful supply of foliage means. Curiously enough it was the French Revolution that became the parent of the science of afforestation, for it was the success of the revolutionists in 1789 that led to the removal of the restrictions on the cutting of private woodlands. Immediately great areas, hitherto the deer parks and sporting preserves of the nobility, were cleared by the peasant farmer and the charcoal burner. Not more than three years had passed, however, before it was noticed that the climate in these cleared districts was changing; and the plain inference was that the cutting of the trees had some thing to do with it. Then it was that scientific observations were made, which were to become the foundation of the modern science of forestry. Germany was the first to take it up scientifically, followed by Austria, and as usual England lagged hopelessly behind.

Climate depends upon six factors, namely, the distance from the equator; the elevation above sea level; the distribution of water; the character of the country, whether level or mountainous, vegetated or barren; the winds; and the moisture of the atmosphere. The factors which the forest can influence are the surface cover, the moisture and the winds. It is these factors that most often govern changes in climate, which are evident to human beings, and thus it will be seen that if the forest does not wholly determine the climate of the neighbourhood, it exerts an influence upon the most important elements that combine to make it. The standing forest prevents the sunshine and the rain from too freely reaching the earth, and diminishes the radiation of heat from the earth at night. Thus there would be less difference between the daily and nightly temperature of the forest than of the open; on entering the woods on a summer night we find it warm, though in the daytime it was cool. In summer generally it seems cool; in winter warmer than the neighbouring plain.

This moderating influence of the forest is what makes breezes, for the leaves of the trees, containing as they do from 50 per cent to 70 per cent of water, are remarkable refrigerators of the surrounding air. As they cool the air above, it sinks down, by specific gravity, and a rising current of warm air takes its place. The cooled air flows off along the surface of the ground into the country, thus forming local breezes which are felt at some distance. That the presence of a forest has but little effect on the rainfall of a given district is the opinion of Mr. Macmillan, the well-known dendrological expert of Canada. In this idea he is supported by many observers. Forests of course may cause local showers by obstructing the winds. The chief causes of rainfall, however, are the great currents of warm and cold water in the ocean, the presence or absence of large bodies of water, and mountain ranges, and the direction of the prevailing winds. However, on the principle that it is what you give rather than what you earn makes you rich, the influence of the forest on the moisture of the soil should be preserved. The forest, in obstructing the winds, prevents the drying out of the land; and the greater the elevation above the sea level, the greater the power of the forest to prevent evaporation. This is one of the reasons why the Canadian Government reserves the forests at the headwaters of streams in mountain regions. In the Rockies a large proportion of the water, in the form of snow, is evaporated by the sun before reaching the streams at all; and it is known that snow will evaporate without wetting the ground. It is therefore of the utmost importance that the forests should be left standing at the headwaters of streams, to protect the snow from the spring sun.

The chief influence of the forest, however, is in modifying the run off of water after it has fallen; and Mr. Macmillan says: "From 10 per cent. to 25 per cent. of the rain falling in a forested country is held by the branches and the leaves of the trees. This is later evaporated, and tends to keep the air moist. The water which reaches the ground is absorbed by the decayed vegetable matter and soft permeable soil as it would be by a sponge two inches to two feet thick spread over the whole surface of the land. Such a soil will hold a five inch rainfall before it becomes saturated. The water thus held slowly seeps into the subsoil, is held as a reservoir to support vegetation, or seeps away to feed springs and streams. None of it is wasted or lost. When rain falls upon a bare slope, the result is different; it does not sink into the ground half so readily, but immediately runs off the surface in rivulets and creates floods. Investigations by the United States Forest Service show that a forested watershed in California, discharging its water only one-half as fast as a denuded watershed

in the same region, that the stream from the forested watershed maintained an equable flow, while the stream from the denuded watershed was flooded after rains, and dry in the summer, because of the failure of the water to soak into the ground." China affords many a striking object lesson of supineness and wilful closing of the eyes to-day, but none of her ills are so arresting as the crying need that exists for re-afforesting the country.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Great damage has recently been done in Shizuoka prefecture by the fall of enormous hail-stones.

A case of plague is reported from Kennedy Town, the patient being a Chinese, who has died from the disease.

The silk per R.M.S. Empress of Japan which left here on the 28th March, arrived at New York on the 22nd April.

The body of one of the three unfortunate Spanish priests recently drowned in the Yangtze has been washed ashore. It was unfortunately unrecognisable.

An America Cup Recovery Fund has been instituted by the Burlingham Club, which appeals for £10,000 for the purchase of ponies for England's team.

We understand that there has been quite a run on Mr. John L. Plummer's brochure on "The Origin of Typhoons," stimulated no doubt by the approach of the typhoon season.

Waseda University is sending a team of Japanese baseball players to play the Chicago University next autumn. Chicago University returns the compliment in the spring.

There were 576 Europeans and 583 Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library, and 225 Europeans and 2,400 Chinese visitors to the Museum during the week ending April 24th.

The Military correspondent of The Times inveighs against what he calls the scuttling from Somaliland, which he declares is due to the inability of the Government to govern, and nothing else.

Miss Griffin will address a Children's Missionary meeting in the grounds of St. Andrew's Viaduct to-morrow evening at 6.30 o'clock. If the weather is unpropitious the meeting will be held within doors.

"It may be quite irrational, but it is the law," said a well-known barrister in the Supreme Court this morning while dealing with highly technical points. "He added—"I myself think it is irrational."

The Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Limited, report that the total output of the Company's three mines for the week ending 9th April amounted to 24,713.24 tons and the sales during the period to 25,250.47 tons.

Sir Gilbert Parker, speaking at Gravesend recently said that Mr. Balfour had appointed an Expert Committee, including Lord Milner and Lord Lovat, to consider the establishment of a Land Bank of England, with a view to the creation of peasant proprietors.

The Peking Government has entrusted Victory Jui Chong in Wu-chang with the settlement of the indemnification for all damage done by the riots in Changsha. He is particularly ordered to enter into communication with the foreigners on this account.

After fifteen years in Hongkong, Mr. Rombach, of the firm of Messrs. Rombach and Co., has retired and the agency of the Oliver Typewriter Co., and the Remco Duplicating Co., have been taken over by Messrs. Jensen and Co., of Hongkong. Their indefatigable and courteous representative, Mr. W. H. Robb, will continue to represent both firms in this district.

The Java-China-Japan Steamship Co. has ordered a new steamer to be built by the Shipbuilding Company Fynsoed at Rotterdam. The liner must be ready in May 1911, and will have a length of 420 ft., a breadth of 54 ft., and a depth of 29 ft., with a speed of 11½ knots. The steamer must measure 3,630 register tons, and the engines will have a capacity of 2,800 h.p.

Telegrams from Kingston, Jamaica, state that the biggest island of the group, known as Morant Cay, situated about thirty miles east of Jamaica, has disappeared beneath the surface of the sea to a depth of four fathoms. The belief that there has been a submarine disturbance is strengthened by the fact that a liner, bound from New York to Havana, has reported passing a vast shoal of dead fish.

Mr. Timothy Healy is no friend of Mr. John Redmond. He accuses the leader of the Irish party with having "deliberately riveted the taxes of the present Budget upon the backs of the Irish taxpayers for the chance of Home Rule under which a few puppets might posture in a so-called Parliament in Dublin." These are plain words coming from such a man as Mr. Healy, and no wonder the Liberal party are rubbing their eyes and asking if Home Rule is the real aspiration of a united Ireland.

DEATH OF MR.
ABDOOLKYOM.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. Abdoolkyom Shaik Abdoolkyom, J.P., which took place at his residence in Zeland Street, very suddenly on Monday night. Of a quiet and retiring but nevertheless generous disposition the late Mr. Abdoolkyom, who was connected with the firm of Messrs. A. M. Esabhooy and Co., was well known and highly respected and only last week entertained Their Highnesses the Gekwar and Maharani of Baroda at a garden party. The funeral took place this morning at Happy Valley.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. Edward Moore, J.P., D.L., formerly of China, has been appointed High Sheriff of Middlesex.

The death is reported of Mr. Koh Kim Ken, who for sixteen years had been Captain China at Sandakan.

Commander Ratcliffe, the Master Attendant at Singapore, has left for Home on nine months' leave. During his absence Lieut. Cator is in charge of the harbour office.

Mr. W. A. R. Knight, of the Eastern Extension Cable Co., left Malacca on Wednesday, April 13, to proceed to China. His place has been taken by Mr. H. Derrick.

General Picquet, who was for a time banished from the army for the part he took in the Dreyfus case, has now been appointed to the command of the Second Army Corps.

Congratulations to Mr. R. C. Barclay, assistant master at Saiyungpoo Government school, on his promotion to the newly created post of Inspector of Schools in the outlying districts.

It is generally regretted in the Colony that Sir Frederick Lugard will not be able to take part in the official opening of the British section of the Kowloon-Canton railway next July, owing to his absence in England.

Lieutenant C. B. Prickett, who was mentioned in despatches for his services in the fighting on the way to Peking ten years ago, he being then a midship, has been appointed gunnery officer of the cruiser Challenger, Australia Squadron.

Among the passengers who left per Empress of China were Capt. Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Andrew, Mrs. A. B. Moulder, Miss Crisman, Mr. Dennis Fuller, H. H. the Gekwar of Baroda, Major and Mrs. Eaton, the Misses Potts, L. E. E. Cole and other Hongkongites.

The Masonic fraternity of Shanghai are deploring the death of Bro. Gould, who had served them so conscientiously and so well for over twenty years. He had arranged to take a trip home by the Kitano Maru, but death has stepped in at the last moment and prevented the realisation of a long-cherished scheme.

Sir Frederick Lugard will be accompanied on his journey homeward by his Private Secretary, Capt. Simson, his popular A.D.C., Capt. Taylor, by medical advice, being obliged to take the other route. We hope the latter will soon be restored to health and strength, for a more hard-working and likeable gentleman for this onerous position would be difficult to find.

Mr. William Simpson, aged 55, of Pen-y-llyn, Cardiff, who was active in the conveyance of arms and ammunition during the Russo-Japanese war, managing owner of the famous blockade runner Carlisle, his brother being master of a vessel which ran the blockade at Port Arthur with contraband arms and ammunition, has left personality valued at £10,978.

Lieutenant J. F. Knox has been appointed to the post of Admiralty Pilot of the Upper Yangtze, a post which is a pretty responsible one, and which calls for a great deal of close observation and local knowledge. Lieutenant Knox, who is a navigation expert, has thorough knowledge of the river, having recently commanded the river steamer Widgeon on the rivers of the station.

Mr. J. O. P. Bland, for many years Secretary of the Shanghai Municipal Council and Shanghai correspondent of The Times and later in the service of the Anglo-Chinese Corporation, rather gave himself away at the dinner given by the Authors' Club in honour of Earl Stanhope. Mr. Bland said "for years he had been in the service of Japan, and during the war was in its Secret Service. He was struck by the way in which the Japanese took it for granted always that England would accept anything."

ITEMS AT THE COURTS.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Magistracy, this morning, a lunk was charged with stealing a gold ring, value £10, and a bank draft for \$100, from a passenger on the S.S. Laisang. The case was dismissed.

A woman was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Magistracy to-day, with stealing a gold ring, value £10, and a bank draft for \$100, from a passenger on the S.S. Laisang. The case was dismissed.

A fine of \$120 or two months' imprisonment was imposed on a native from Tokoyan, by Mr. E. R. Hallifax, at the Magistracy to-day, for having opium in his possession. Defendant told the Magistrate that he was endeavouring to combat the habit of opium smoking.

NEW JAPANESE TARIFF.
QUESTION IN THE COMMONS.(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, April 26.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Hamilton Heim asked, in view of the prohibitive character of the proposed new Japanese tariff, especially for Lancashire and Yorkshire goods, what representations the Government proposed to make to secure fair treatment for British trade.

Mr. T. McKinnon Wood, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied that he could not say at present what representations would ultimately be found necessary. The proposed tariff had been communicated to Chambers of Commerce and other bodies with a view to ascertaining its probable effect on British trade, and when replies had been received they would be considered by the Board of Trade.

THE BUDGET.

IRISH MEMBER MOVES
REJECTION.(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, April 26.

In the House of Commons Mr. O'Brien moved the rejection of the Finance Bill. He stated that his ground for moving the resolution was that Irish industry had been already cruelly injured, and the Bill would unjustly increase the island's taxation.

THE NEW BUDGET AND THE
OLD.

Collection of Taxes and Duties.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, April 26.

In the House of Commons Mr. Fall asked whether the taxes and duties were to be collected until the new Budget was introduced at the rate of the Budget for 1909-10.

Mr. Asquith replied that the only taxes in the 1909-10 Budget which would not continue to have effect in the next Budget were the Income Tax and the Tea Duty. He added that the latter would remain at the present figure until July 1st.

ELECTIONS IN FRANCE.

THE PREMIER RE-ELECTED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, April 25.

The French elections generally have passed off quietly.

Mr. Briand, the Premier, has been re-elected by a majority of 8,000.

THE RUBBER BOOM.

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We understand that the Kweiyang is badly ashore on the northern island of the Okeu group. The accident was due to the foggy weather. On the 24th inst. Captain J. Raich, of the S.S. Austria, from Kobe via Shanghai, observed the Kweiyang but no response was obtained from the latter vessel reply to the offer of assistance from the Austria. The S.S. Tso-nan, a Chinese steamer, was present rendering assistance.

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ASSAYE	June 11	PERSEA	July 10	July 18
ARADIA	June 26	MAIWA	July 24	July 30
DELTA	July 9	MAIWA	Aug. 7	Aug. 13
ASSAYE	July 23	MAIWA	Aug. 21	Aug. 27
DEVANHA	Aug. 6	MONGOLIA	Sept. 4	Sept. 10
ARADIA	Aug. 20	MONGOLIA	Sept. 18	Sept. 24
DEVANHA	Sept. 3	MONGOLIA	Oct. 1	Oct. 7

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VICTORIA, B.C. AND SEATTLE, via SHANGHAI, MOIJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, AND YOKOHAMA.	INABA MARU, Capt. K. Kawa, Tons 7000 TAMBA MARU, Capt. K. Sato, Tons 7000 SADO MARU, Capt. S. Horiuchi, Tons 7000	TUESDAY, 26th April, at Noon. TUESDAY, 24th May, at Noon. SATURDAY, 21st May, from KOBE.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, and BRISBANE.	NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 6000 KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winkler, Tons 6000 BINGO MARU, Capt. S. J. Parsons, Tons 7000	FRIDAY, 13th May, at Noon. FRIDAY, 10th June, at Noon. TUESDAY, 26th April, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOIJI & KOBE, and COLOMBO.	CEYLON MARU, Capt. Fred. Pyne, Tons 6000	TUESDAY, 3rd May, at Noon.
BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, and COLOMBO.	KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winkler, Tons 6000	WEDNESDAY, 11th May, at Noon.
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THE Steamship DELTA, Captain B.

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and Cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's Steamship Moran,

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before departure from Hongkong.

Suez and Yabalaia all Carports for France, and for London (under arrangement) will

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Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The

contents and value of all packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWITT,

Superintendent, Hongkong, April 16, 1910.

Notices to Consignees

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE.

THE Company's Steamship Breckshire having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown. The hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted, cut mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 30th inst., at 6 p.m. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godown, where they will be examined at 8.30 a.m. on the 31st inst.

No claims will be admitted after goods have left the Godown nor will they be recognized if presented after 10 days of vessel's arrival here.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., I

Agents, Hongkong, April 23, 1910.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship BUELOW,

having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Oylum, Treasure and Vain

shel, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon and West Point Godowns, where delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 27th of April will be subject to rent.

All broken, chipped and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 27th of April, at 8.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 1st of May, 1910, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countermanded by the Undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELBOURNE & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, April 20, 1910.

FROM EUROPE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship SILESIA,

Capt. SELMER, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, where delivery may be obtained against Bills of Lading countermanded by the Undersigned.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 10 a.m.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th April will be subject to rent.

All broken, chipped and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 26th April, at 8.30 a.m.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

This steamer brings cargo—

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HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, April 20, 1910.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM PORTLAND & JAPAN PORTS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship HERCULES,

The above mentioned steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countermanding, and to take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside.

Cargo will be landed immediately and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Cargo undelivered on TUESDAY, April 26th, 1910, at Noon, will be subject to rent.

All chipped and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's Godown on SATURDAY, April 23rd, 1910, at 10 A.M.

FRED J. HALTON, Agent.

Hongkong, April 20, 1909.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship Laisang, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m., the 27th inst. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countermanded by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD., General Managers.

Zongkong, April 25, 1910.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Co.'s Steamship Namsang having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m., the 27th inst. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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Hongkong, April 13, 1910.

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Dairin (Train)	10.00 a.m.	Sun.	Tues.	Fri.
Mukden (Train)	10.54 a.m.	"	"	"
Changchun (Train)	10.45 p.m.	"	"	"
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Station	Train	Time	Days	Days	Days
Harbin (Russian Train)	11.30 a.m.	Tuesday	Thurs.	Sat.
Changchun (Train)	8.40 p.m.	"	"	"
Mukden (M.E.S. Train)	9.00 p.m.	Wednesday	Fri.	Sun.
Dairin (Train)	10.58 a.m.	"	"	"
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Hongkong, February 4, 1910.

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Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Apr. 27, at 8 a.m.
Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Apr. 28, at 5 p.m.
De Woll & Co. Limited	About May 5.
Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Apr. 26, at Noon.
Canadian Pacific R.R.	May 14, at 6 p.m.
Canadian Pacific R.R.	May 24, at Noon.
Butterfield & Swire	Apr. 27, at 4 p.m.

ST - QUOTATIONS.

April 26, 1910.

Price of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations. Per Share.
10,000	£ 125	all	£885 £91/15/-
9,925	£ 2	£ 2	£76, buyers
10,000	£ 50	50	£170, buyers
10,000	£ 260	25	£87½
9,925	£ 83.25	25	Tls. 115
10,000	£ 15	100	£250, sales
10,000	£ 250	50	£230
10,000	£ 130	50	£111, buyers
10,000	£ 100	20	£740, buyers
10,000	£ 350	50	£62, sellers
10,000	£ 50	all	£25, buyers
10,000	£ 25	25	£10, sellers
10,000	£ 63	25	£9, sellers
10,000	Tls. 100	Tls.100	Tls. 78, buyers
10,000	£ 25	25	£81, sellers
10,000	£ 80	50	£84
10,000	£ 15	15	£30, sellers
10,000	£ 5	all	£73, (London, 26.10)
10,000	£ 10	10	£38, sellers
10,000	£ 10	5	£14½, sellers
10,000	£ 1	1	94/-
10,000	Tls. 60	Tls. 60	Tls. 40
10,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	£54, 32 ex div.
10,000			Tls. 51

1,000	\$	100	all	\$175, sales & buyers
1,000	\$	100	all	\$28, sellers
1,000	Tls.	50	Tls. 50	Tls. 825
1,000		50	all	\$59, sellers
1,000	Tls.	100	Tls. 100	Tls. 134, sales
1,000	\$	100	100	\$101, buyers
1,000	Tls.	50	Tls. 50	Tls. 112
1,000	\$	50	\$ 39	\$23, buyers
1,000	Tls.	25	Tls. 25	Tls. 9
1,000	\$	10	\$ 10	\$2, sellers
1,000	\$	50	\$ 50	\$40, sellers
1,000	\$	10	\$ 10	\$15, sales & buyers
1,000	\$	10	\$ 1	\$1.60, buyers
1,000	Fms.	150	all	\$825, buyers
1,000	\$	1	18/10	\$4, buyers
1,000	\$	50	\$ 50	\$107
1,000	\$	25	\$ 25	\$83
1,000	\$	15	\$ 25	\$19
1,000	\$	10	\$ 10	\$4, buyers
1,000	\$	10	\$ 10	\$4, sellers
1,000	\$	10	all	\$20
1,000	Tls.	50	Tls. 50	Tls. 106
1,000	\$	10	\$ 10	\$21, sales
1,000	\$	10	\$ 10	\$7, sellers
1,000	\$	10	\$ 10	\$10, buyers

\$504	2	17/8	17/8	4	112, seller
no entry	0	10	10	130	
0 0000	0	10	10	130	93, sellers
0 0000	0	10	10	130	919, sales
5,000	0	7 1/2	8	1160, sellers	
4,000	0	50	60	330, sellers	
4,000	0	70	80	Th. 425	
4,350	2	10	all	221 1/2, sellers	
5,000	0	50	10	16 1/2, sellers	
10,000	Th.	50	Th 50	Th. 137, sellers	
0.080	Th.	75	Th.75	Th. 61.	
8,000	Th.	100	Th.100	Th. 70	
9,000	Th.	500	Th.500	Th. 208	
0.090	0	40	10	83 1/2, buyers	
0.0000	0	12	42	111 1/2, sellers	
1,200	0	10	all	910	
2,000	0	7	7	133 sellers	
3,000	0	45	25	233, buyers	
6,000	0	10	18	42, sellers	
6,000	0	1	1	85	
6,000	0	16	10	320, buyers	
3,000	0	10	10	111, buyers	
77,500	0	2	2	830 (Sta.)	
-	2	1	1	826, (Sta.)	
-	3	10	10	860, (Sta.)	
-	2/-	2/-	2/-	97	
-	2	1	1	93	
-	2	1	1	115 1/2	
-	2	1	1	250	
-	2	1	1	190	

—	£	1	£	1	18/6
—	—	—	—	—	11/8 prem.
—	£	2/-	1	£	1 205/
—	—	—	—	—	115/
—	£	2/-	1	£	37/6
—	—	—	—	—	40/-
—	£	1	£	1	92/6
—	£	1	£	1	2-5/-
—	£	1	£	1	165/-
—	£	1	£	1	109/-
—	—	—	—	—	40 - prem.
—	—	—	—	—	10/-
—	£	2/-	—	—	165/-
—	—	—	—	—	3/8
—	£	2/-	—	—	3/8
—	£	1	£	1	115/-

Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
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